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San Diego Region

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February 11, 2002

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Mr. Ernest Moretti P.O. Box 2078 Borrego Springs, California 92004

In Response Refer To: UST:50-3537:bsp 5

Dear Mr. Moretti:

COMPLAINT NO. RB9-2002-0053 FOR ADMINISTRATION CIVIL LIABILITY, NONCOMPLIANCE WITH CALIFORNIA WATER CODE SECTION 13267

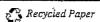
Enclosed find Complaint No. RB9-2002-0053 for Administrative Civil Liability. A public hearing on this matter before the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) has been scheduled for the Regional Board meeting on April 10, 2002 in the Board Room at 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100, San Diego, California. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. At the hearing, you will have the opportunity to be heard and to contest the allegation in the complaint and the imposition of civil liability by the Regional Board. Additional notice of this public hearing and the hearing procedures will be provided to you prior to the hearing date along with the agenda for the Regional Board meeting on that date.

At the hearing, the Regional Board will determine the validity of the allegation contained in the complaint and, if the allegation is found to be true, will consider whether to assess civil liability in the amount proposed by the complaint, or in some other amount.

Be aware that you may waive your right to a public hearing before the Regional Board. Waiver of the hearing constitutes admission of the validity of the allegation of violation in Complaint No. RB9-2002-0053 and acceptance of assessment of civil liability in the amount proposed in paragraph 4 of Complaint No. RB9-2002-0053. If you wish to waive the hearing, you, or an authorized agent, must sign, fill out, and return the waiver form attached to this letter, together with a cashier's check for the amount of civil liability proposed in paragraph 4 of Complaint No. RB9-2002-0053. The cashier's check must be made payable to the State Water Resources Control Board and mailed to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100, San Diego, California 92123.

If a hearing is held, comments from you and interested parties may be considered by the Regional Board in determining the amount of civil liability to assess. Following the hearing, the Regional Board may impose an amount of civil liability other than that proposed in the complaint or revoke the

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complaint and refer the matter to the Attorney General for judicial assessment of civil liability (with higher maximum liabilities for each violation).

If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact Mr. Barry Pulver of my staff at (858) 467-2733.

Sincerely,

John H. Robertus Executive Officer

Enclosures:

1. Waiver Form

2. Complaint No. RB9-2002-0053

cc: Mr. Anderson M. Donan

Donan Environmental Services, Inc.

P.O. Box 1839

Vista, California 92085-1839

Ms. Diana Conkle Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund State Water Resources Control Board

P.O. Box 944212

Sacramento, California 94244-2120

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN DIEGO REGION

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
MR. ERNEST MORETTI NONCOMPLIANCE WITH CALIFORNIA WATER CODE SECTION 13267)	COMPLAINT NO. RB9-2002-0053 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY FEBRUARY 11, 2002
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MR. ERNEST MORETTI IS HEREBY GIVEN NOTICE THAT:

1. Mr. Ernest Morreti is alleged to have violated a provision of law for which the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) may impose civil liability under sections 13268 and 13350 of the California Water Code (CWC).

ALLEGATION

2. Mr. Moretti failed to submit a soil and groundwater investigation technical report regarding the former Santa Ysabel Chevron site, as required by the Regional Board pursuant to CWC section 13267. An adequate report was due on February 24, 2000, and was not received by that date, nor has an adequate report been submitted as of the date of this complaint.

DATE OF HEARING

3. A hearing before the Regional Board on the violation alleged in this complaint will be held on April 10, 2002, during the regularly scheduled meeting of the Regional Board.

PROPOSED CIVIL LIABILITY

4. Considering the factors listed in section 13327 of the CWC, civil liability should be imposed on Mr. Moretti by the Regional Board in the amount based on the following:

Fifty-five dollars (\$55) per day for each day of the violation after February 24, 2000, until an adequate report is received by the Regional Board. If an adequate

report is not received by April 10, 2002, (the date of the hearing on this complaint) the total liability on April 10, 2002, for the violation alleged herein will be \$42,625.

Dated this 11th day of February, 2002.

JØHN H. ROBERTUS

Éxecutive Officer

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

San Diego Region

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